



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of: **OTSUKI, Koichi, et al.**

Group Art Unit: **1611**

Serial No.: **10/567,968**

Examiner: **PURDY, Kyle A.**

Filed: **November 28, 2006**

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**FOR: ANTIVIRAL AGENT, AND FABRIC AND ANTIVIRAL MEMBER  
SUPPORTING ANTIVIRAL AGENT**

**RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT**  
**DATED October 1, 2009**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Date: October 26, 2009

Sir:

In response to the Election of Species Requirement dated October 1, 2009, the applicants provisionally elect to prosecute the species embodying "an antiviral agent comprising partially hydrated dolomite prepared from calcined dolomite," which corresponds to present claim 5, from Species A, and "a fabric supporting the antiviral agent according to above-mentioned claim 5, which corresponds to present claim 6, from Species B. The applicants reserve the right to file divisional applications on the non-elected claims.

The applicants respectfully request an early examination on the elected claims and favorable action on the merits. If the Examiner has any questions with this Response, please feel free to call the undersigned at the indicated telephone number.

In the event that this paper is not timely filed, applicants hereby petition for an appropriate extension of time. The fee for any such extension may be charged to our Deposit Account No. 01-2340.

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In the event any additional fees are required in connection with this response, please charge  
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Respectfully submitted,

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